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In re Appln. of: Michiaki Otani

Appln. No.: 10/615,585

Filed: July 7, 2003

For: VOICE GENERATOR, METHOD FOR
GENERATING VOICE, AND
NAVIGATION APPARATUS

Examiner: David D. Knepper

Art Unit: 2626

Attorney Docket No: 9333/352

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

Attached are:☒ Request for Reconsideration**Fee calculation:**☒ No additional fee is required.☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

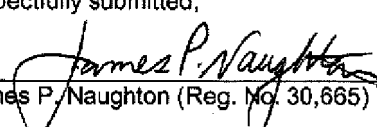
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| Total | | Minus | | | x \$25= | | | x \$50= | |
| Indep. | | Minus | | | x 100= | | | x \$200= | |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | | +\$180= | | | +\$360= | |
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Fee payment:☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.☒ Deposit Account No. 23-1925 is being charged simultaneously with this electronic filing in the amount of \$810.☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the Office Action dated May 12, 2008 because it appears to be duplicative of the Office Action issued only two months previously.

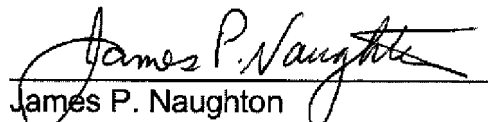
The previous Office Action dated March 5, 2008 rejected all claims and was designated final. On or about March 21, 2008, Applicant's undersigned attorney conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner to discuss the Office Action. An Amendment and Response and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) were filed on April 4, 2008 in response to the March 5, 2008 Office Action.

The Office Action dated May 12, 2008 appears to be identical to the Office Action dated March 5, 2008 and does not refer to the telephone interview, the RCE, or the Amendment filed on April 4, 2008. Instead the Office Action dated May 12, 2008 responds to the Amendment dated November 26, 2007 and is designated final, just like the Office Action dated March 5, 2008.

Applicant's undersigned attorney telephoned the Examiner on May 21, 2008 to seek confirmation that the current Office Action was issued by mistake. After investigating the matter, the Examiner agreed that the current Office Action appeared to be duplicative of the Office Action dated March 5, 2008 and appeared to be issued electronically by mistake. The Examiner suggested that Applicant file a Request for Reconsideration in view of these facts.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that the Office Action dated May 12, 2008 was issued by mistake and requests that the Office Action be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,


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